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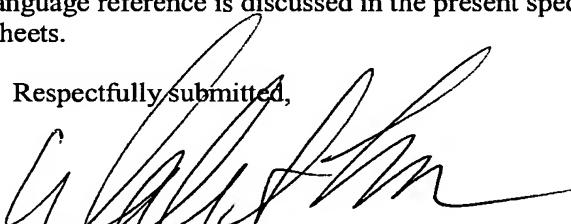
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Foreign Patent Documents

Document No.: **4-151705** , published **May 25, 1992**

Country: **Japan**

Copy of reference: **attached**

Language: **non-English**

English translation: not attached for it is not readily available

Concise Explanation of Pertinency: This publication is referred to in the specification. See page 3, line 2.

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Jpn. Pat. Appl. KOKAI Publication No. 4-151705
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A. Page 33, left column, lines 5-13:

A portable electronic device comprises:
a housing;
an input device arranged at a front portion of the housing;
a hard disk drive arranged at a rear portion of the input device, and in a
form of a portable pack; and
an electronic component arranged at a rear portion of the input device,
and positioned at a bottom portion of the housing, wherein
the hard disk drive comprises an attachable/detachable mechanism, is
arranged on the electronic component, and is covered with a protection cover
that is fitted from above the housing.

B. Page 34, bottom left column, lines 8-16:

According to Figures 2, 3 and 4, a floppy disk drive 6 is arranged inside
a lower housing 2 of the main body, a hard disk drive 7 is stored in a region
surrounded by an upper housing 1 of the main body that is arranged on the
floppy disk drive 6, and the hard disk drive 7 is protected by a protection cover 4.
The hard disk drive 7 is connected to a connector 11 of the main body, and a rib
b, which extends from the protection cover 4, is attached to prevent
disconnection between the hard disk drive and the connector 11.